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SUBJECT: BAHRAIN: YEMENI GCC ASSISTANCE REQUEST

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Classified by A/DCM Steve Bondy for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

¶1. (C) A/DCM June 17 delivered reftel demarche concerning the Yemeni GCC assistance request to MFA Assistant Under Secretary for Coordination and Follow Up Shaikh Abdul Aziz

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bin Mubarak Al Khalifa. Shaikh Abdul Aziz listened carefully and said the Bahraini government agreed that it should do what it could to assist in stabilizing the situation in a neighboring country. Yemen is a reforming nation and the GCC should "do all it can" to help.

¶2. (C) Like it has done for Iraq, Shaikh Abdul Aziz said Bahrain could provide financial training for Yemeni experts and promote networks and linkages between Yemeni and Bahraini financial institutions. He noted, however, that Bahrain would not be able to make monetary donations.

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